Students of Appomattox County High School, members of the Spanish Club, who recently returned from a tour of Spain are shown in above photo. Left to right, they are S. L. Ferguson, David Eye, Reed Johnson, Leslie King, Merry Wright, Cheryl Conner, Susan Campbell, Molly Handy, Steve Cobb, Joe Fraley, David Kembel, and Ms. Gayle Jordon, teacher. Not available for photo but on the tour was Ms. Holdren.

Viage A Espana

Eleven students, members of the Spanish Club at ACHS, and two teachers recently returned home from a tour of Spain. The tour was worthwhile and very enjoyable. Some adjustments had to be made to the Spanish way of life, but this made the trip all the more interesting.

Spain is a land of contrast, of barren mountains and fertile valleys, of dry desert and productive prairies, of extremes of temperature, of snow-tipped heights and sun-drenched beaches, of primitive villages and ultra-modern resorts, of riches and poverty. It is today the most popular holiday country in Europe and by far the cheapest. It is also the most hospitable and the group found this to be most educational.

Comments from students about the tour are as follows:

Leslie King - The trip was really fun! The sightseeing tours were real interesting and exciting. I enjoyed myself very much and would like to go back again.

Joe Fraley - I enjoyed everything about the trip, especially the discos, movies, etc. It was interesting to hear Gene Wilder and Richard Pyor speak Spanish in Silverstreak.

Susan Campbell - This was a once in a lifetime experience and I will never forget it.

Sue Lawson - My trip to Spain was a unique experience. Although there were many differences there, the people were just as kind there as they are here. I think the hardest thing to accustome oneself to is the food -(squid, paella, goat, etc.)

Cheryl Conner - The trip was a very rewarding and fun-filled experience. The tours during the day, but the nights were quite interesting.

David Kembel - The trip was very rewarding and well worth the money. Spain really wasn't much different from the U.S., although Africa was quite different. All in all, it was an unforgettable experience.

Molly Handy - The craftsmanship of the Spanish Cathedrals was most unbelievable.

Reed - While in Spain, we were all priviledged to see El Greco's house (the Spanish artist and painter in Toledo. We were also able to learn more about the people and their way of life.

Steve Cobb - I most enjoyed the visit to Bodoga, a place where wine is made and stored.

Merry Wright - What I'll remember most about Spain is the beautiful Cathedral of Malaga. The interior was unbelievable there were marble statures every where, not to mention hundreds of stained glass windows and the choir made of solid mahagony imported from Cuba. All hand carvings of saints. So remarkable it would have to be seen to be believed.

AREA WOMEN TO HEAD "BREATH OF SPRING" BIKE-A-THON

John Banks, Jr., President of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation has announced the appointment of Mrs. Howard Shorter, of Darlington Heights, as chairman of the annual "Breath of Spring" Bike-a-Thom in Pamplin and surrounding areas. Also serving with Mrs. Shorter are Mrs. James Whitehead of Pamplin, and Mrs. Basil Bryant of Cullen. These chairmen will lead volunteers in their areas to organize a Bike-a-Thon to raise funds to support research and care programs for children affected by Lung-Damaging Diseases like Cystic Fibrosis, Severe Asthama, Chronic Bronchitis and Bronchiectasis.

The Bike-a-Thon is scheduled to be conducted on Saturday, May 21. When someone in your community invites YOU to sponsor them in this year's Bike-a-Thon, please be generous. Your dollars provide the "Breath of Life" for millions of children who suffer with Cystic Fibrosis, which is still incurable. C/F is inherited when both parents are carriers of the recessive gene which causes C/F. It is believed that ten million Americans are symptomless carriers of this gene. Current research funded by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation is seeking a practical test to identify these carriers, as well as a cure for C/F and better methods of treatment for all Lung-Damaging Diseases.

Because of improved treatment developed through research, many C/F patients are now living into their teens and young adulthood. These same treatments are also benefiting, and often curing children suffering from other Lung-Damaging Diseases."

W..nner Of Sears Contest

Celebrating the appointment of Calvin and Janice Smith as the new Sears Catalog Sales Merchants at the Triangle Plaze Store, a black and white Sears television was given away Saturday to the winner of the Sears sponsored contest. To win you had to guess how much money was in a freezer in the store. Alice Dziengel, right above, the winner, is shown receiving her prize from Mrs. Smith. Hedr guess was $27.50 - the amount in the freezer was $27.18. There were over 300 persons participating in the contest.

4-H FISHERMAN SHOWS OFF CATCH

Wayne Phelps holds his 7 lb. 14 oz. striped bass taken in Buggs Island Lake on April 16. With Wayne is Mr. Carl Miller, owner of White's Auto Store and sponsor of the Appomattox 4-H Fishing Contest. Wayne is in the Appomattox Middle School 4-H Club and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Wayne Phelps, Jr.

Pamplin 4th Graders Hear Talk On Volcanoes

Sharon S. Knight, back row, far right, talked with Mrs. Christine Knight's 4th Grade at Pamplin Elementary School about VOLCANOES as a part of Science. Sharon lives on the Air Force Base in Little Rock, Arkansas, where she has experienced a tornado. She explained in details how the tornado looked as it formed, the warnings given, the sounds and what to do in case one does develop.

She also discussed with the pupils the many types of jobs available in the Air Force for both boys and girls, as a part of CAREER EDUCATION STUDY.

Sharon is the daughter-in-law of Mrs. Knight and is also a teacher. She is now teaching English to Japanese girls and substituting in other areas in the LRAFB schools.

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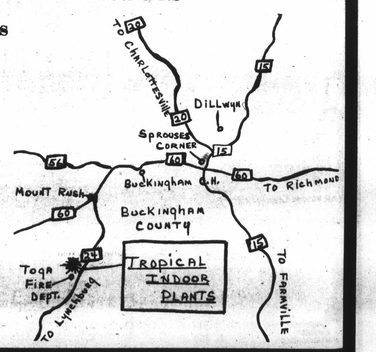


Then and Now

Mrs. Ella Smith Anderson - 1936
Appomattox County's First
Home Demonstration Agent

"A NEW ENDEAVOR"

The year was 1935 and in all of the counties surrounding Appomattox homemakers were busily engaged in a new endeavor - - - it was called Home Demonstration Work. The women loved it! Since Appomattox was the only county in the East Central District that did not have an appropriation for home demonstration work, Miss Maude Wallace, State Home Demonstration Leader, and Miss Sally G. Davis, District Leader for the East Central District began work to do something about it.

Miss Ella Smith, (now Mrs. B. G. Anderson), a home economics teacher in the Tazewell County High School in Tennessee was approached in August of 1935 to see if she would be interested in doing home deomonstration work. After her interview at Blacksburg in October of the same year, Miss Smith reported as an agent-in training in Campbell County, actually beginning her work in November of 1935.

It was no accident that the Home Demonstration Work in Appomattox County made such outstanding progress. Take our own Appomattox County Homemakers, the finest to be found anywhere, add to this a woman who was not only capable but caring. "Miss Ella" has a genuine concern for all of the women of Appomattox County and in her work she sensed their needs and used her talents to help Appomattox County Women reach their full potential.

While enjoying a visit with her the other day she reminded me, "Dont forget to mention when I was married - - - that was the best thing that ever happened to me." After working as home demonstration agent for approximately five yeas in this county Miss Ella Smith became Mrs. Bernard Guthrie Anderson in February of 1941. Mrs. Anderson, a prominent dairyman in this county died in April of 1956.

The first week in May the Appomattox County Extension Homemakers will celebrate their forty-first anniversary. Happily the women of Appomattox County remember their individual and combined accomplishments in home demonstration work - - - they remember too, their first leader.

After giving of her energy, time and talent for approximately twenty-five years, Mrs. Anderson moved to Kentucky where she served as home furnishings specialist before returning to Appomattox. Although retired from extension work, she continues to exert a powerful influence as she encourages, and most of all loves the women of Appomattox County. In her work, as she sought to foster their highest ideals in homemaking, she reached out in-service. "Miss Ella" is still reaching out - in service and in love. Thank you, Mrs. Anderson for being a part of Appomattox County - - -

Next week we will visit with some of the charter members of the Home Demonstration Clubs in Appomattox County, maybe get a few words of wisdom. Won't you join me?

Promotional work got underway in Appomattox County to intrest the homemakers to work to secure the needed appropriation for an agent in the county. The women of Appomattox County met the challenge, created the interest needed to get things going, and got the job done. On July 1, 1936 Miss Ella Smith became the first home demonstration agent in Appomattox County.

In May of 1936 ten Home Demonstraiton Clubs were organized in Appomattox County. As interest grew other clubs were formed, some merged with others and some fell by the wayside. Today there are 14 clubs in Appomattox County and interest is growing.

A Closer Look

REACT

By: Frances Paulette

On Saturday evening, April 16th I was priviledged to be a guest at the Central Virginia REACT coffee break that was held at the Woodman of The World Building in Appomattox. There was music, food, fellowship and there was more. It was a coming together of people from different localities who own citizen band radios and who are interested in the needs of other to a point where they're willing to do something about it.

REACT which stands for Raido Emergency Associated Citizens Team is a group of people willing to use their citizen band radios for more than personal pleasure and entertainment.

With approximately eighteen members, Central Virginia REACT works closely with local law enforcement officials. Each member is responsible for monitoring Chanel 9, the National Emergency Chanel for a period of at least four hours per week.

The group headed by president, Thelma Goin and vice-president James Daubenspeck, sponsor safety breaks for travel weary tourists, support many worthy causes with both work and money. Accurate records are kept on REACT activities and reported semi-annually to National REACT. Each member keeps a record of his or her calls, the responses and how they were handled.

To become a member of REACT a person must be eighteen years of age (at age 16 one can become an associate member), have a base station, telephone, and a FCC license.

People from all walks of life are members of REACT. Some are housewives who are homebound by small children, some are persons confined to a wheelchair.

The local group is especially proud of Ed Burrell, a charter member, confined to a wheelchair, and David Bryant, one of their newer members. David, a high school senior, is also confined to a wheelchair, but that doesn't stop David from doing his part in REACT.

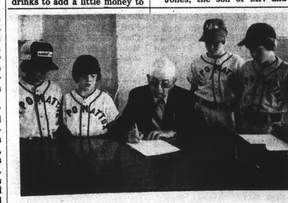
Donations from businesses, local merchants and individuals help keep REACT going. Add to this the money taken in at the coffee breaks at these get-togethers, the food is furnished by members, coffee donated by local merchants and a soft drink company furnished drinks at a reduced cost. The REACT members sell the drinks to add a little money to the "kitty". An interesting money-making scheme they use is the "Jail". A member may pay a quarter and send another one into the jail—there he stays until someone bails him out for another quarter.

The Central Virginia REACT members are indeed proud to have a part in community service and they are equally proud of the local businesses and individuals who have contributed in some way to their endeavor.

ACHS Graduate Is U of R Cheerleader

RICHMOND - April - David Alan Jones of Appomattox, has been chosen as a varsity cheerleader at the University of Richmond for the 1977-78 academic year.

Jones, the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. David Jones of 200 W. Lee-Grant Ave., is a student at Richmond College, the men's liberal arts undergraduate division of the university. He is a graduate of Appomattox County High School where he was a member of the band, National Honor Society and Latin Club president.



Appomattox County Dixie Youth Sponsor Fund Drive

The sale of HENCO household products by the Appomattox County Dixie Youth Association and mothers of the participants in Little League sports will begin Friday, April 22nd and continue through April 26th. Proceeds will go to buy much needed equipment for the program in our county.

In the photo above Mayor Henry Pack signs Proclamation declaring this period of time as Fund Raising Drive for Appomattox County Dixie Youth Association. Shown with Mayor Pack are, left to right, Ronnie Archer, Robert Chenault, the Mayor, Donnie Hudson, and Jay Chenault.

Twenty-four mothers will assist the youth in the sale of the HENCO household products. When asked, buy one or more of these products and help the youth of our county continue with the activities of the association.

Mothers assisting with this project are Mrs. Patricia Turner, Mrs. Joyce Hipps, Mrs. Robert McClenny, Mrs. Sharon Chauncey, Mrs. Betty Hudson, Mrs. Gayle Carter, Mrs. Doris Martin, Mrs. Shirly Turner, Mrs. Eleanor Abbitt, Mrs. Carolyn Fields, Mrs. Pat Seay, Mrs. Charney Martin, Mrs. May Kat Whitehead, Mrs. Jean Mottley, Mrs. Ruby Roach, Mrs. Betty Bianks, Mrs. Wayne Tucker, Mrs. Nancy Bennett, Mrs. Gail Williams, Mrs. Alese Cobb, Mrs. Betty Tolley, Mrs. Marsha Ryan, Mrs. Barbara Puryear, Mrs. C. D. Layne and Mrs. Nellie Bryant.

JODY RAINWATER TO PARTICIPATE IN REVIVAL

Revival services are now in progress at the Central Baptist church. They will be continuing nightly at 8:00 p.m. through this Friday April 29th. You come and enjoy the last few services with us.

Thursday night, April 28th Jody Rainwater from WTVX radio station will bring special music. Rev. R. G. Rowland is preaching each night.

Central Baptist Church is located on route 696 south of Appomattox. Take route 727 from Appomattox for about 7 miles, then turn right on 644, then right on 694.

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Attending the meeting visited by Most Worshipful John Wynn Laningham, Grand Master of Virginia Masons, were from left, Worshipful Master L. Richard Stockton, Southside Lodge No. 191, Pamplin; Right Worship Samuel Edward Hanson, 20th district deputy Grand Master; Most Worshipful John Wynn Laningham; Master Robert Garland Holt, Monroe Lodge NO. 301, Appomattox; and Worshipful Master Duke Fouch, Farmville Lodge No. 41.

VIRGINIA MASON GRAND MASTER VISITS PAMPLIN

Most Worshipful John Wynn Laningham, Grand Master of Virginia Masons visited Southside Lodge No. 191 at Pamplin on March 25th, as his official visit to Masons of the 20th District. Officers of the Lodges in the District entertained the Grand Master and Mrs. Laningham at dinner prior to the Convocation.

The Grand Master speaking of the part Masonary has to play in this time of change made an inspiring talk with a theme, "Today - The Threshold to Tomorrow."

Following the meeting a reception was given by the Pamplin Chapter of Eastern Star at the Pamplin United Methodist Church.

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